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Sir:

Transmitted herewith is a reply and/or amendment in the above-captioned application in response to the Examiner's action dated 21 November 2000.

- [X] The reply and/or amendment is being filed under 37 CFR 1.8 and the required Certificate of Mailing appears above.
- [] An additional fee in the amount of \$ is required for the amended claims presented and has been calculated as shown in the attached sheet.

Please charge Deposit Account No. <u>21-0718</u> in the amount of the additional fee above, or such greater or lesser amount of excess fees for claims as the Commissioner determines is required by law. Triplicate copies of this sheet are enclosed.

EXTENSION OF TIME. In the event this paper is not filed prior to the time set for response, applicant(s) hereby petition for an extension of the period for filing the attached reply and/or amendment to the date of filing this paper, and hereby authorize the Commissioner to charge the

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Respectfully submitted,

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Reply/Amendment

[] Calculation of Additional Fees for Amended Claims